

May 5 2021

COVID-19 Vaccine Eligibility Update for the Southwestern Public Health Region

Starting May 6 at 8 a.m., the following groups will be eligible to book a COVID-19 vaccination appointment:

- **Adults aged 50 and older**
- **Group 1 - Essential Workers Who Cannot Work From Home, including:**
 - Elementary/secondary school workers (including educators, custodial, school bus drivers, administrative staff)
 - Workers responding to critical events (including police, fire, special constables, children's aid society workers, emergency management, critical infrastructure, restoration workers)
 - Enforcement, inspection and compliance roles (including by-law enforcement, building inspectors, food inspectors, animal welfare inspectors, border inspection officers, labour inspectors/WSIB field workers)
 - Foster care agency workers (including customary care providers)
 - Food manufacturing and distribution workers
 - Agriculture and farm workers
 - Funeral, crematorium and cemetery workers

Full details for Group 1 - Essential Workers Who Cannot Work From Home:

- Defined workers start on page 19 of the [Ministry Guidance for Prioritization of Phase 2 Populations](#).
- Your workplace will provide you with details for how to book an appointment.
- If you are an employer who requires booking details for eligible workers, please register your workplace at www.swpublichealth.ca/preregisteracohort.
- Remaining essential workers who cannot work from home will become eligible in the near future.